Fiscal Note

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Department: Department of Health and Social Services

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MEDICAID REFORM/PFD/HSAS/ER Appropriation: Senior and Disabilities Services

USE/STUDIES Senior Community Based Grants

Sponsor: **KELLY** OMB Component Number: 2787

Requester: Senate Rules

Title:

Expenditures/Revenues

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below. (Thousands of Dollars)

		Included in						
	FY2017	Governor's						
	Appropriation	FY2017	Out-Year Cost Estimates					
	Requested	Request						
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2017	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	
Personal Services								
Travel								
Services								
Commodities								
Capital Outlay								
Grants & Benefits				(735.2)	(735.2)	(735.2)	(735.2)	
Miscellaneous							-	
Total Operating	0.0	0.0	0.0	(735.2)	(735.2)	(735.2)	(735.2)	

Fund Source (Operating Only)

1004 Gen Fund				(735.2)	(735.2)	(735.2)	(735.2)
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	(735.2)	(735.2)	(735.2)	(735.2)

Positions

Agency:

Full-time				
Part-time				
Temporary				

Change in Revenues				

Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2016) cost:

(separate supplemental appropriation required)

(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2017) cost: (discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section) (separate capital appropriation required)

ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS

Does the bill direct, or will the bill result in, regulation changes adopted by your agency? yes If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? 07/01/18

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version:

Health and Social Services

Corrects the year of first anticipated UGF savings under 1915(i) option for CS SB 74, version U.

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FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

In part, **CSSB74(FIN)** authorizes the DHSS to apply for federal waivers and options to reform the Medicaid program and to assess the most cost-effective method for revising expansion coverage.

Section 28, p. 25 lines 27-29 charge the Department with "reducing the cost of... senior and disabilities services provided to recipients of medical assistance under the state's home and community-based services waiver."

Section 30, p. 29, lines 11-13 direct the Department to apply for the 1915(i) option under Medicaid.

Making use of the 1915(i) option offers the Department the opportunity to shift eligible recipients from 100% general funded grant programs to the 50% federal/50% general fund funded 1915(i) Medicaid option.

The Department will use this option to refinance the Senior Community Based Grant component's Adult Day and Senior In-Home Services for those who are receiving the service and are also Medicaid eligible.

<u>Adult Day Grant:</u> Total general fund expenditures = \$1,757.0, serving 423 recipients. Of those, the Division of Senior and Disabilities Services (SDS) anticipates serving 114 under the 1915(i) option with an average cost per individual of \$4,153.69. Estimated general fund Adult Day grant services to be refinanced with the 1915(i) Medicaid option = \$473.5.

<u>Senior In-Home Grant:</u> Total general fund expenditures = \$2,917.3, serving 1,371 individuals. Of those, SDS anticipates serving 123 under the 1915(i) option with an average cost per individual of \$2,127.84. Estimated general Senior In-Home grant services to be refinanced with the 1915(i) Medicaid option = \$261.7.

The combined estimated general fund to be refinanced through the use of the 1915(i) option = \$735.2.

Changes to the State Plan and regulations are required to implement the new option and would involve extensive public comment. The Department expects the 1915(i) option for senior community based services to be implemented by FY2018.

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